

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1142 without my signature.

This bill would authorize school districts operating a 4-day school week schedule to be eligible for longer year incentive funding, even though their schools are in session fewer than 180 days per year.

Granting longer year incentive funding without the requirement that districts provide the necessary 180 days of instruction would defeat the objective of the incentive funding program. It would be inequitable for districts that do provide the additional instructional time and the two school districts that currently operate a 4-day week already receive per-pupil funding at levels significantly higher than the statewide average.

For these reasons, I cannot support this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger